



# The Second Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2022  
at 9:00 a.m.

**HE IS RISEN**

## The Church of the Good Shepherd

108 West Broad Ave + Berlin, NJ 08009

**Our Vision:** *To be a faithful and growing Church that connects people to Jesus Christ.*

**Our Mission:** *To know Christ more fully,  
To love and serve Him more faithfully,  
To make Him better known to others.*

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## **THE HOLY EUCHARIST**

**Processional Hymn** (Blue #184)      “*Christ the Lord is Risen Again*”

*Please stand.*

## **THE WORD OF GOD**

**Opening Acclamation**      *Please stand as you are able.*

*Celebrant*      Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People*      **The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia.**

### **Collect for Purity**

*The Celebrant may say:*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Gloria in Excelsis**      *(said together)*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
And peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
Almighty God and Father,  
We worship you, we give you thanks,  
We praise for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world:**

**Have mercy on us;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
Receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God the Father. *Amen.***

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

*Please be seated for the readings.*

**First Lesson** (Acts 5:27-32)

Andy Listman

*A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you

had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 118: 14-29**      (*read responsively by verse*)

- 14 The LORD is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:**
- 16 “The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!”
- 17 I shall not die, but live, \*  
and declare the works of the LORD.**
- 18 The LORD has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to  
the LORD.**
- 20 “This is the gate of the LORD; \*  
he who is righteous may enter.”
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.**
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD’S doing, \* and it is  
marvelous in our eyes.**
- 24 On this day the LORD has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

**25 Hosannah, LORD, hosannah! \***

**LORD, send us now success.**

26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; \*  
we bless you from the house of the LORD.

**27 God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; \***  
**form a procession with branches up to the horns**  
**of the altar.**

28 “You are my God, and I will thank you; \*  
you are my God, and I will exalt you.”

**29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \***  
**his mercy endures for ever.**

**Second Lesson** (Revelation 1:4-8)

Lou Durham

*A Reading from the Revelation to John.*

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn** (Blue #178)

*“Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks”*

*Please stand as you are able.*

**The Holy Gospel**

John 20:19-31

*Celebrant*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

***People***          **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him,

“My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

*Celebrant*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*          **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Fr. Pervez Baig

**The Nicene Creed**      *(Please stand: celebrant and people say)*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again**

**in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. *Amen.***

**Prayers of the People (IV)**

Sheila Williams

*Let us pray for the Church and the world:*

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

We pray for the People and Clergy of the Diocese of New Jersey, especially *St. Wilfrid's Church in Camden*, that we may be a people who show your transforming love and justice in all that we do.

Give Grace to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; William, our Bishop; *Pervez*, our Supply Priest; and Lou, our Music Minister.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer***

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Remembering especially, Joe, our President; Phil, our governor; and Rick, our mayor.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer***

We pray for all people in the world suffering from diseases, natural disasters, and famine; and for those nations engaged in wars and suffering from the devastation in the wake of conflicts. We pray especially for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia who will suffer from the economic sanctions. Give guidance to their leaders that they may lead with wisdom and mercy.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer***

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer***

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

We pray for the growth of the Good Shepherd Family, and give you thanks for the privilege of being part of the more than 100 years this Church has faithfully served our Lord, Jesus Christ. We pray that you will continue to supply our material needs and guidance for our Church.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer***

Bless and protect the members of our military, especially those who are closely connected to the Good Shepherd Family. Be their constant companion and their strength in battle, their refuge in every adversity. Guide them, O Lord, that they may return home safely to those who love them; and give their families the strength and courage to cope with the daily challenges faced in their absence.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer***

Today we remember our family and friends celebrating –

**Birthdays:** *Stephanie Hoffman and PJ Kilpatrick.*

**Anniversary:** *Bruce & Gail Cecchini.*

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer***

We pray for those who are sick and all those caring for them, at home, in hospitals, in hospices, or in nursing homes.

Comfort and heal all those on our Prayer List, ***especially Mary Green and Barbara Staepelaere.*** Give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer***

We commend to your mercy all who have died that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Luke, and all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

***Hear our prayer***

*Let's pray together for the Good Shepherd Church Family:*

**Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for the Church family of Good Shepherd. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect:*

### **Confession of Sin**

*Celebrant:*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant:*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  
*Amen.*

## **Blessing of Sunday School Teacher and Children**

### **Prayer for Healing**

Please proceed to the altar rail if you would like prayer.

Congregation: please show deference during this time.

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*          **And also with you.**

### **Announcements, Greetings, and Recognitions**

✚ Please welcome Fr. Pervez.

✚ Please join us for some Fellowship & Food, courtesy of Al & Denise King, immediately after service.

✚ **ECW:**

➤ There will be a meeting today immediately after fellowship.

➤ **Ronald McDonald House Pop Tabs Collection** – please consider bringing pop tabs from any aluminum can that you use: soda, energy drinks, vegetables, soup, etc. There is a labeled container in the Narthex for you to place the items.

✚ **Outreach:**

➤ **Lion's Club Recycling:** We are collecting old/unwanted eyeglasses, hearing aids, and cellphones to donate to the Lion's Club to assist needy individuals. If you have any of those items, please drop them off here at the Church. There is a box in the back of the Church to place the items.

- **Clothing Drive:** Please drop off any lightly used and new clothing items for adults and children, particularly children's sizes 5T-14. We will be making a delivery shortly.
- **Episcopal Relief & Development (ER&D)** is accepting donations to help Ukrainian families affected by the war. If you are interested, you may either use a form in the back or give your donation to the Church and we'll make one donation to ER&D.

#### **Fundraisers:**

- **Yard Sale (part of town-wide yard sale):** at the Church **this Saturday, April 30**. Set up is 7 a.m. and the event runs until 2 p.m. \$15 for a space. Please see Darlene for more information.
- **Wawa Hoagie Coupons** are available at \$5 each. Please see Lillian if you are interested.
- **Christmas Shopping Raffle** tickets are available at \$5 each. **1<sup>st</sup> Prize** - \$1,000 worth of store and restaurant gift cards; **2<sup>nd</sup> Prize** - \$500 TD Bank Gift Card Raffle; **3<sup>rd</sup> Prize** - \$250 TD Bank Gift Card Raffle. Please see Darlene for tickets.

#### **Events:**

- **ECS Sunday: Next Sunday,** May 1 will be celebrated across the Diocese. We will be collecting a special offering for anyone who wishes to contribute to this charitable arm of the Diocese.
- **National Day of Prayer:** Thursday, May 5 at 7 p.m. at the bandstand at the Sports Complex on Haddon and Luke Avenues in West Berlin.

#### **Other:**

- **Faith and Service Award** – Nomination is now open. Forms are at the back of the Church and on our website.

## The Offertory Sentence

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn (Green #820)

*“The Eyes of All  
Wait Upon You”*

If you have not already done so, you may at this time place your envelope/offering in the offering plate at the back of the church.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION The Great Thanksgiving (A)

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you

***People***        **And also with you**

*Celebrant*      Lift up your hearts.

***People***        **We lift them to the Lord**

*Celebrant*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

***People***        **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant proceeds:*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. *But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.*

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever *sing* this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## **Sanctus and Benedictus**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel. Celebrant continues:*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

*Celebrant continues:*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing:*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **Breaking of The Bread**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant:*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:*  
The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [**Amen.**]  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [**Amen.**]

**Communion Hymn** (Green #812)

*“I, The Lord of  
Sea and Sky”*

## **Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and people:*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

*Celebrant blesses the congregation:*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His

Son Jesus Christ our Lord; may our blessed Lady, blessed Joseph, and all the saints pray for you. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

**Recessional Hymn** (Black #96)      “*He is the King of Kings*”

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant*      Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia.  
Alleluia.

*People*      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Thank you** to the worship leaders for their contribution to today’s service; and to everyone, both in person and online, for worshipping with us today.

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**Communion Wine Administered in Both Kinds:** Please follow and respect the instructions of the chalice bearers. If you are having the wine, you may:

1. Drink from the Common Cup; or
2. Have the chalice bearer dip the host in the wine for you.  
Please be guided accordingly. *The Priest and Chalice Bearers must properly sanitize/wash their hands immediately before administering the communion.*

**Prayers for:** (please let us know when your loved one should be removed).

**Military Service:**

Aiden Borden  
Collin McCafferty  
Charles Devoll  
Dalton Anders  
Dave Niglio  
Felix Perez  
Jacob Listman  
Jimmy Sheridan  
John Kirkbride  
Jonathan DeMaria  
Joseph Hodges  
Keith Taylor  
Nicholas Cadet  
Nicholas DeMaria  
Nickolette McCafferty  
Reed Mikkelson  
Ruben Costelano-Gomez  
Ted Chavis

**Comfort & Healing**

Barbara MacLeod	Marian Ive
Christina Camuccio	Mrs. Moe
Connie Buch	Norman Rogers, Sr.
Dave McMichael	Paul Williams
Edna Krug	Paulette Bahn
Floss Egizi	Regina Listman
Gina Smith	Sheila Williams
Irene Livacz	Theresa Ennis
Jim Haverstick	Victor Kayati
Lee Anna Smoler	Wendy Robinson
Linda Swinney	Zella Dixon
Lori Gantz	
Mackenzie Wister	